

THE STAR IS THE ONLY NEWSPAPER IN MARION COUNTY TAKING TELEGRAPH SERVICE

PLACED IN A MOST
DIFFICULT POSITIONGreeks Fear that Their Country May Soon Be-
come a Battle GroundBULGARIANS AND GERMANS ABOUT TO DRIVE FRENCH AND BRITISH BACK ACROSS THE
MACEDONIAN BORDER

(Associated Press)

London, Dec. 13.—The difficult position of the Greeks to maintain their neutrality in face of the allied retreat on Saloniki and the pursuit of the Bulgarians and Germans, continues to be the center of interest in European capitals. The latest decision of Greece, according to Athens dispatches, is to withdraw all of the considerable bodies of her troops impartially from the front at points where they might come into contact with the belligerents. The army at Saloniki is to be reduced immediately and the forces in the north withdrawn to avoid complications, should the Austrians or Bulgarians cross into Greece.

Whatever the future holds for Greece, her effort to clear her position towards the belligerents clears any idea that allied forces in Greek territory are to occupy any privileged position in the nature of open Greek support.

So far as is known the attacks on the British in Macedonia were delivered by Bulgarians without the aid of the Germans.

No important developments are reported from other fields.

A News dispatch from Berlin says the Teutonic allies sunk 508 ships during the war to date.

TOUGH ON ALLIES AND TURKS

London, Dec. 13.—Winter at the Dardanelles is proving a severe test for the Australians and Turks alike. A Reuters correspondent at the front reports that a blizzard caught the Turks unprepared and they had to evacuate some trenches which flooded. The bodies of dead Turks washed into the allied trenches.

SEVERE LOSS OF BRITISH

Berlin, Dec. 13.—It is officially announced that the French and British have been expelled from Macedonia territory. The report declared that two British divisions were nearly wiped out in the advance.

TWO JAPS DRIVEN FROM
A WASHINGTON TOWN

Wenatchee, Wash., Dec. 13.—A mob drove two Japanese from Oreville, a mining town near here. The owner of the building occupied by them was previously notified the Japanese could not conduct their business in that town.

REALTY
BARGAINS

are numerous just now. Some of the best farm properties in Marion County for example, can be bought for less than the cost of improvements.

As the days go by these properties will be sold, or will be held for higher prices.

Only extraordinary conditions put these properties on the market.

The conditions are rapidly changing.

You should buy now, if you wish to make a good investment.

LOUIS R. CHAZAL
& SONS CO.
REAL ESTATE
OCALA FLORIDA

UNCLE SAM'S ARMY
FORD AND HIS
FELLOW FOOLSSHOULD BE NOT LESS THAN A
MILLION AND A HALF
OF MEN

(Associated Press)

Washington, Dec. 13.—Secretary of War Garrison has made public in connection with his annual report the special national defense report prepared at his request by the war college division of the general staff. It shows that the army itself considers that as a proper military policy to secure continental United States from attack, it is necessary to have a mobile army of 1,500,000 fully or partially trained men.

No Longer "in Splendid Isolation"

The report opens with a consideration of the military problem confronting the United States from which it reaches the conclusion that "The safeguard of isolation no longer exists" since "The oceans, once barriers, are now easy avenues of approach by reason of the number, speed and carrying capacity of ocean-going vessels."

It declares that the successful outcome of the wars in which the country has been engaged has given the public a wrong impression, inasmuch as careful study of these wars reveals "a startling picture of faulty leadership, needless waste of lives and property, costly overhead charges augmented by payment of bounties to keep up volunteer enlistments, undue prolongation of all these wars and finally, reckless expenditure of public funds for continuing pensions."

We Have Never Had Our Lesson

"But we have not learned our lesson," the report adds. "It has never been driven home by the bitterness of defeat. We have never known a Jena or Sedan."

Strength of Other Powers

The report contains a table of the military strength of the seven leading foreign powers as of August, 1914, and also an estimate of the available shipping for a military expedition to the United States. It says a "reasonable estimate" shows that Austria-Hungary, with a total trained force of 4,320,000 men, could send 180,000 men with all necessary stores and animals across the seas within 40.7 days in two expeditions; France, with 5,000,000 men, 404,226 in thirty days; Germany, with 5,000,000 men, 827,000 in 30.8 days; Great Britain, with 695,000 men, 170,000 in 27 days; Italy, with 2,600,000 men, 227,000 in 35 days; Japan, with 2,212,000 men, 238,367 in 41 days, and Russia, with 5,000,000 men, 104,074 in forty days.

KNITTING MILL RECEIVES
ANOTHER BIG ORDER

Manager Harry Booth of the Ocala Knitting Mills reports the receipt of another huge order for knitted underwear. This order comes through the mills' exclusive selling agents, Messrs. Clift & Goodrich of New York, and is for Ely & Walker, St. Louis, Mo., one of the largest dry goods houses of that city. The order calls for 5000 dozen knitted garments. The delivery time on the order will come so that it can be handled by the knitting mills after the order of a few days ago for a like number of garments for the Chicago house has been cared for. George Giles, the president of the company, will push the work on the factory's new home and the installing of the four new knitting machines to take care of the rapidly piling up orders.

SURPRISED TO FIND THEY HAVE
SOME SENSIBLE MEN ON
THE SHIP

(Associated Press)

Aboard Steamship Oscar II. (By wireless.)—Resolutions condemning the president's program for preparedness brought forth a protest from some members of the Ford peace party. Some refused to sign the resolutions, saying it was unpatriotic. Some even threatened to leave the party on reaching Europe. A message was sent by wireless to the ruler of each of the European belligerents, saying the Ford party had no intention of intruding, but pointing out that the sixteenth month of the war had brought no good and requesting an immediate truce to discuss peace terms which, the message said, neutral nations would present.

IRON WORKERS OUT

SIXTY PITTSBURG FOUNDRIES
AFFECTED BY THE STRIKE

(Associated Press)

Pittsburg, Dec. 13.—Many thousand dollars of war munitions and other contracts are held up by the strike of the iron moulders and core makers, which affected between fifty and sixty foundries.

ABSTRACT OFFICE IN
CLYATT'S HANDS AGAIN

Mr. W. W. Clyatt a few days since bought the Marion County Abstract company's plant and business from Mr. John M. Graham of the firm of Graham Bros.

Mr. Clyatt sold this business to the Graham brothers a number of years ago, but he is never satisfied without he is working with land title matters, which he understands like his alpha-bet and he and Mr. Graham have made a trade that was mutually satisfactory. Mr. Clyatt is now in charge of the office and has begun to turn out the accurately compiled abstracts for which the plant is noted.

Mr. Clyatt will transact his city treasurer and collector's business from the office of the abstract company on Main street instead of at the court house, as heretofore.

Mr. Graham is closing up several large abstracts the company has had under way, one or two of which represent many months of work. In addition to this, he has his duties of county treasurer, his interest in the lime business at Reddick with his brother, and other interests enough to keep him busy.

SAW HIS VICTIM'S SPOOK
After Nineteen Years, a Murderer
was Convicted in Alabama

(Associated Press)

Andalusia, Ala., Dec. 13.—John McPherson, found guilty here of the murder of John Childress, nineteen years ago, was sentenced to life imprisonment. McPherson was captured in Oklahoma two years ago after he complained of being haunted by the ghost of the man killed in Alabama.

See the line of miniature sets for Christmas at The Court Pharmacy. 61

SHIVERING UNDER A
SHROUD OF SNOWSEVERE WEATHER PREVAILS ALL OVER THE NORTH-
EASTERN STATES

(Associated Press)

Washington, Dec. 13.—The Atlantic seaboard from Virginia to Canada, except for isolated spots, is covered with snow, which is still falling with indications that it will continue tonight in the middle Atlantic states. Elsewhere east of the Mississippi fair weather is predicted.

CIRCUIT COURT
IN SESSIONJudge Bullock Charged the Grand
Jury Against Bringing in Bills
On Insufficient Evidence

The fall term of the circuit court convened this forenoon. Immediately after the roll call of the venire, the selection of a grand jury for the term was taken up.

The drawing resulted in the following being declared grand jurors.

Ira J. Collier, foreman; Henry H. Rast, J. A. Cameron, J. F. Meadows, B. H. Forbes, Dillon Long, J. W. Beard, Sam N. Igou, J. E. Hicks, J. M. Fort, W. E. Christian, M. J. Timmons, John Fogelstrom, J. B. Burry, J. P. Ausley, O. P. Britt, R. E. Brigrance, W. E. Teuton.

Judge Bullock charged the grand jury with its duties, and laid special stress on the undesirability of bringing in true bills in cases where the evidence appeared insufficient to convict before a petit jury, and also the injustice to the county of making large witness fee bills by binding over witnesses that were immaterial in the trial of cases. His charges were plain and to the point.

Mr. Leroy Galloway was appointed bailiff for the grand jury and the body is now engaged in its duties.

The names remaining in the box after selecting the grand jury, and who will constitute the petit jury for the week are as follows: O. B. Howse, J. M. Gates Jr., L. B. Marsh, R. G. Allsop, D. E. Melver, J. T. Hooks, D. S. Welch, C. C. Priest.

The civil docket for the term to date is as follows:

Blackshear Manufacturing Co. vs. George Giles & Co., assumpsit; referred to R. McConathy, referee. Attorneys for plaintiff, M. L. Mershon and E. G. Baxter; for defendants, L. W. Duval.

Edward H. Weathers vs. Baxter Carn, action at law; set for trial Dec. 14th. Attorneys for plaintiff, M. L. Mershon and R. B. Bullock; for defendant, Wm. M. Guber.

Big Springs Distilling Co. vs. T. H. Keating, assumpsit; set for trial Dec. 18th. Attorneys for plaintiffs, M. L. Mershon; for defendant, Stewart and Stewart.

J. A. Hampton vs. J. D. Pearce, action at law; set for trial Dec. 16th. Attorneys for plaintiff, H. M. Hampton; for defendant, H. J. Dame.

Walter Ray vs. Thomas Brown, ejectment; referee to be appointed. Attorneys for plaintiff, H. M. Hampton; for defendant, W. M. Guber.

Raymond Ray & Co. vs. Jordan Bros., action at law; trial set for Dec. 16th. Attorneys for plaintiff, H. M. Hampton; for defendant, Wm. M. Guber.

R. J. Rivers vs. Godley Bros., action at law; trial set for Dec. 16. Attorneys for plaintiff, H. M. Hampton; for defendant, L. N. Green.

J. B. Ellis vs. Dunnellon Phosphate Co., civil action; trial set for Sept. 14. Attorneys for plaintiff, J. L. Lee and H. D. Hampton; for defendant, R. A. Burford.

Georgia Adams vs. Lewis Adams, replevin; set for Dec. 14. Attorneys for plaintiff, L. W. Duval; for defendant, Anderson & Anderson.

Marion Hardware Co. vs. Stuckey & Tiller, assumpsit.

Marion Hardware Co. vs. the J. N. Tiller Co., assumpsit.

Marion Hardware Co. vs. J. W. Ward Jr., assumpsit.

Marion Hardware Co. vs. S. Stephens, assumpsit. L. W. Duval attorney for plaintiff.

The four last named cases are set for trial Dec. 13th.

E. H. Tomlinson vs. McGeehe Lum-ber Co., action at law; trial set for

Dec. 16. Attorneys for plaintiffs, Marks, Marks & Holt; for defendant, Hocker & Martin.

Morgan Mill Works Co. vs. Ocala Lumber & Supply Co., M. J. Roess claimant; attachment; set for Dec. 16. Attorney for plaintiff, W. K. Zawadski; for defendants, Anderson & Anderson.

Ocala National Bank vs. M. D. Johnson et al, assumpsit; no trial date set. Attorney for plaintiff, R. A. Burford; for defendants, Cockrell & Cockrell and Odom & Crawford.

McRaney & Bridges vs. Nathan Mayo, action at law; no date set for trial. Attorney for plaintiff, A. M. Roland; for defendant, H. M. Hampton.

After sounding the docket court adjourned until this afternoon.

AGAIN AN ISSUE

National Prohibition Will Vex Souls
of Congressional Time-Servers

(Associated Press)

Washington, Dec. 13.—Congress will be urged again this session to submit to the different states for ratification a prohibition amendment to the constitution, according to the plans of prominent temperance leaders here.

REQUEST THAT DOCTOR
GROSS BE RETURNEDMade by Stewards of His Church and
Concurred in by the Methodist
Sunday School

Dr. J. M. Gross yesterday preached his farewell sermon at the Methodist church before departure for the annual conference at Tampa this week. He referred touchingly to his hopes that he would be returned to this charge, as his work here for the past two years had been such a pleasure to him.

At a meeting of the stewards of the church a few days ago a resolution was adopted asking the conference to return Dr. Gross to this city if possible. This resolution was unanimously concurred in by the Sunday school yesterday.

Dr. Gross' work in all directions looking to the uplift of the community since being assigned to this charge has been especially productive of good, and the church and Sunday school have been remarkably prosperous during the time.

The financial reports of the church year were read, and show a healthy condition of affairs.

Conference convenes in Tampa tomorrow evening. Mr. J. P. Phillips, lay delegate from the Ocala church, leaves tomorrow morning in his car for that city, accompanied by Mrs. Phillips, Dr. A. L. Izlar and Dr. Gross.

ON HIS RECORD

Editor Star: Without casting any reflections on any one, I in common with many other of his neighbors think it to the interest of the first ward and the whole city to re-elect W. A. Knight alderman. He has been on the council for two years, during which time he has stood unflinchingly by the interests of the people, keeping his promises and doing his work efficiently but without ostentation. It is our best policy to elect him for another term.

First Warder.

MARY PICKFORD AS
FANCHON THE CRICKET

Mary Pickford, one of America's prettiest and smartest actresses, will be seen at the Temple this evening as "Fanchon the Cricket," one of those Paramount features which are coming into favor all over the country. Mary Pickford and Paramount are guarantees of the merit of the piece, which deserves a series of good houses during the entire time the reels are running.

Odd Fellows meet Tuesday night.

AMERICAN DEMAND
ON AUSTRIAIs that Regard for Humanity
Be ObservedSINKING OF ANCONA DENOUNCED AS AN USELESS AND
WANTON SLAUGHTER

(Associated Press)

Washington, Dec. 13.—Baron Zweidnek had a conference with Secretary Lansing, at the former request, this morning. Mr. Lansing said the Ancona case was discussed, but declined to answer questions.

TEXT OF THE NOTE

The text of the American note to Austria-Hungary regarding the sinking of the Italian steamship Ancona, made public last night, reveals a formal demand by the United States for prompt denunciation of the "illegal and indefensible" act; for punishment of the submarine commander and for reparation by the payment of indemnity for the killing and injuring of innocent American citizens.

These demands follow a statement informing Austria-Hungary that "the good relations of the two countries must rest upon a common regard for law and humanity." The note arraigns the shelling and torpedoing of the liner as "inhumane," "barbarous" and a "wanton slaughter" of "helpless men, women and children."

AUSTRIA'S REASON FOR DELAY

Vienna, Dec. 13.—Austria's delay in replying to the American government's inquiry for details in the Ancona case is due to inability to get into communication with the submarine involved, although every effort has been made to do so.

FROM ALDERMAN NASH

To the Voters of the Fourth Ward

I respectfully solicit your votes in tomorrow's election for the following reasons:

1st. My record as your representative for the last year, serving the unexpired term of Mr. Tolar.

2nd. I am in favor of municipal ownership first, last and all the time, and as my vote in council will show, I am unalterably opposed to private ownership of public utilities.

3rd. I am heartily in favor of the proposed railroad to Silver Springs.

4th. I have not committed myself to any one location for the new combined light and water plant. I am in favor of the location that will furnish the best water to be determined by actual test.

Lastly, I am for the fourth ward every time. We have secured the sewerage and extension of water mains to North Ocala and this improvement will surely be made. The money is on hand to make these improvements. We have put in nearly all needed lights in the fourth ward this year and the fourth ward has received its share of road work.

This council has authorized no sidewalk paving as we have lacked the funds and times have been so hard that the people could not have paid for them had we put them in.

If you can support me on the above grounds, I would heartily appreciate your vote tomorrow.

Very respectfully,
Geo. A. Nash.

CAPT. W. H. DeLONG

Although it had been expected for some weeks, the many friends in Captain W. H. DeLong were saddened to hear of his death, which occurred at his home at Candler yesterday.

Captain DeLong was one of the up-builders of Marion county, coming here from Illinois thirty years or more ago. He was 85 years of age, and during his long life in Florida had done much good work and made hundreds of friends.

His funeral took place at Candler this morning.

Bear This in Mind

"I consider Chamberlain's Cough Remedy by far the best medicine in the market for colds and croup," says Mrs. Albert Blosser, Lima, Ohio. Many others are of the same opinion. Obtainable everywhere. Adv.

MOTORS DAILY TO
TOP OF MOUNTAINRare Experience of M. C. Dowd, a
Mount Wilson Electrical
Engineer

IS A MAXWELL ENTHUSIAST

Daily Nine-Mile Climb is Only Fun
for Him and His Automobile

Pasadena, Calif., Dec. 13.—When M. C. Dowd leaves his home for the scene of his daily work, he motors through a semi-tropical atmosphere, past orange groves and tennis courts, toward a famous mountain peak—one of the very few in the world which the accident of conformation makes available to permanent highway construction.

Mr. Dowd waves a salute to the keeper of the toll gate at the foot, opens the throttle of his Maxwell and begins a motoring experience which comes to few pilots even once in a lifetime.

6000 Feet in Nine Miles

For 6000 feet—more than a mile—hoary old Mount Wilson rears its head into the clouds. Round and round the base of the lower crags but climbing, always climbing, leads a typical Southern California highway—nine miles from the foot to the summit. Often the road skirts the brink of a perpendicular cliff. Many a turn seems to lead straight off into space but always a quick twist of the wheel reveals more of the ascent—smooth, narrow, and steeper as the summit is nearer.

The timber line is passed and the clouds are entered. The air cools. Often, as the car nears the summit, it finds the road covered with snow. But Dowd never pauses until he reaches the very top where, in the shelter of the famous government observatory, he parks the Maxwell for the day.

In the evening with power shut off and his trusty brakes steadying the descent, Mr. Dowd coasts nine miles back to the orange groves—a trip even more thrilling than the upward half of the journey.

Familiarity, Mr. Dowd frankly admits, has robbed the mountain trip of a great deal of its natural charm. Even the knowledge that a momentary lapse on his part or a failure of a mechanical detail might send car and driver to sure destruction fails to afford a thrill in the light of daily repetition.

Power, Cooling, Brakes

"I'd be willing to wager I could make the trip in the dark without lights," he admits, "though the bet would have to be a fairly good. As for the car, I never give it a thought. We have three Maxwells on the mountain now. One is a new one, like my own. The other has been navigating the trail for more than two years."

Hundreds of motorists essay the Mount Wilson trip each year and many of them succeed. Power, cooling ability and good brakes are the essentials.

A year ago the late Billy Carlson Jr. established the present record for the climb—29 minutes, 1 second—in a stock Maxwell roadster.

Laughter Aids Digestion

Laughter's one of the most healthful exertions; it is of great help to digestion. A still more effective help is a dose of Chamberlain's Tablets. If you should be troubled with indigestion give them a trial. They only cost a quarter. Obtainable everywhere. Adv.